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SUBJ: THIRD COMMITTEE--ITEM 76, SELF-DETERMINATION

1. ON OCT 26 THE THIRD COMMITTEE COMPLETED CONSIDERATION OF ITEM 76 AND HEARD EXPLANATIONS OF VOTE FROM THE DELEGATES OF SURINAM, AUSTRIA, NEPAL, NEW ZEALAND, FINLAND, LUXEMBOURG, TURKEY, IRAN, COLOMBIA, ITALY, FIJI, BOLIVIA, CHILE, AND SIERRA LEONE.

2. SEVERAL DELEGATIONS, INCLUDING FINLAND (ON BEHALF OF THE NORDICS), AUSTRIA, AND LUXEMBOURG EXPLAINED THEIR ABSTENTIONS IN TERMS OF THE RESOLUTION'S POTENTIAL TO PREJUDICE THE GENEVA CONVENTION. THE DELEGATES OF FIJI, BOLIVIA, IRAN, TURKEY, AND AUSTRIA MENTIONED OPERATIVE PARA 7 (WHICH DENOUNCES "SOME MEMBERS OF NATO" FOR ALLEGED SUPPORT OF SOUTH AFRICA) AND INDICATED THAT THEY WOULD HAVE ABSTAINED ON THAT PARAGRAPH HAD A SEPARATE VOTE BEEN TAKEN. THE FIJIAN DELEGATE SUGGESTED THAT THE RESOLUTION SHOULD HAVE BEEN MORE OBJECTIVE RATHER THAN SELECTIVE IN ITS CRITICISMS. IN A REFRESHING DEPARTURE THE COLOMBIAN DELEGATE CHARACTERIZED THE DEBATE AS "UNNECESSARILY HARSH AND SUSPICIOUSLY VAGUE" AND OPINED THAT SUCH A TONE INHIBITS RATHER THAN EXPEDITES THE COMMITTEE'S WORK. THE DELEGATES OF

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ITALY AND LUXEMBOURG ASSOCIATED THEMSELVES WITH

A PRIOR EXPLANATION OF VOTE BY THE NETHERLANDS,  
AND SIERRA LEONE CHARGED THAT ALL THOSE WHO HAD  
ABSTAINED OR VOTED AGAINST THE RESOLUTION ACTED  
IN CONTRADICTION TO THE UN CHARTER AND RESOLU-  
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